languages is being implemented in all States/Union Territories for the creation of General Awareness about the HIV/AIDS epidemic. A multi pronged strategy is being adopted by use of every available channel of communication.

(c) and (d) No, Sir.

Ad-hoc appointments in AIIMS

675. SHRIMATI AMBIKA SONI:
SHRI SURESH KALMADI:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that only ad-hoc recruitment have taken place during the last six years in the faculty of All India Institute of Medical Sciences, Delhi;

(b) if so, the reasons for the same and steps taken to revive regular recruitment procedure; and

(c) how many ad-hoc appointments and promotions have been made during the last two years in various disciplines of the faculty?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE [DR. (SHRIMATI) RITA VERMA]: (a) and (b) During the last six years, 58 posts of Professors, 6 posts of Additional Professors and 9 posts of Associate Professors were filled in on regular basis through open selection. However, appointments to the post of Assistant Professors are being made on ad-hoc basis in the Institute since November, 1994 due to pending court case in the High Court of Delhi and the matter is sub-judice.

(c) Fifty-five ad-hoc appointments at the level of Assistant Professor and 49 promotions were made during the last two years.